

RULE 8.4
SERVICE, FILING, AND SIGNING OF PAPERS

(a) Service: When Required. Except as otherwise provided in these rules, every order required by its terms to be served, every pleading subsequent to the original complaint or citation and notice, every paper relating to discovery required to be served upon a party unless the court otherwise orders, every written motion other than one which may be heard ex parte, and every written notice, appearance, demand, application, designation of record on appeal, and similar paper shall be served upon each of the parties.

(b) Service: How Made.

(1) On Lawyer or Party. Whenever under these rules service is required or permitted to be made upon a party represented by a lawyer the service shall be made upon the lawyer unless service upon the party is ordered by the court. Service upon the lawyer or upon a party shall be made by delivering a copy to the person or by mailing it to the persons last known address. Delivery of a copy within this rule means: handing it to the lawyer or to the party; or leaving it at the persons office with a clerk or other person in charge thereof; or, if there is no one in charge, leaving it in a conspicuous place therein; or, if the office is closed or the person to be served has no office, leaving it at the persons dwelling house or usual place of abode with some person of suitable age and discretion then residing therein.

(2) Service by Mail.

(i) How Made. CRLJ 5(b)(2)(i) shall govern service by mail.

(ii) Proof of Service by Mail. Proof of service by mail may be by affidavit or certification, under RCW 9A.72.085 or any law amendatory thereof, of the person who mailed the papers, or by written acknowledgment of service.

(c) Filing With Court. The complaint or citation and notice shall be filed as in rule 2.1. All other pleadings required to be served upon a party shall be filed with the court pursuant to CRLJ 5(e).

(d) Bar Association Membership Number. All pleadings, motions, and legal memoranda signed by an attorney shall include the attorneys Washington State Bar Association membership number in the signature block.

(e) Filing by Facsimile. (Reserved. See GR 17--Facsimile Transmission.)
